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SUBJECT: PROSECUTORS REQUEST SUPREME COURT HEARING ON  
GUANTANAMO DETAINEES

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Kuwait's Public Prosecution office announced July 29 that it would appeal the Court of Appeals' decision to uphold the lower court's acquittal of the five Guantanamo detainees repatriated in November 2005. Four of the five, Abdulaziz Sayer Al Owain Al Shimmari, Mohammed Funaitel Sahli Al-Dihani, Saad Maadi Saad Al Azmi, Abdullah Saleh Ali Al-Ajmi, were released after the Court of First Instance's May 21 ruling while the fifth, Adil Zamil Abdulmohsen Al Zamil, was remanded to prison to serve out a one-year sentence from a 2000 assault case. A Ministry of Foreign Affairs official confirmed that the travel ban previously imposed on the five will remain in effect until a final verdict is announced, likely sometime in September.

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